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## TELEGRAMS.

### THE WAR.

#### BRITAIN'S SANE ATTITUDE.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, November 28.

Reuter is informed that Germany is enthusiastically supporting the fair and moderate British policy with regard to the Balkans and appreciates the conciliatory tone of the British Press. The unanimity of view is regarded in Berlin as a happy augury for the future development of Anglo-German relations.

The attitude of the British Press in opposing the exaggerated demands of Serbia is greatly appreciated in Vienna.

#### AUSTRIAN AUDIENCES.

A message from Vienna reports that the Emperor Franz Josef gave audiences yesterday successively to Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the Chief of the General Staff, the Minister for War, Count Berchtold, and the Hungarian Minister for Defence.

#### TURKS' NEW SPIRIT.

A message from Constantinople states that the Turks at Chataldja numbered 70,000 on the 17th inst. and are now 100,000. There will be 130,000 within a few days. They are largely fresh troops, with ample supplies and are in no mood for peace.

#### ROUMANIA.

It is unofficially reported that the partial mobilisation of the Roumanian Army has been ordered.

#### BOUND FOR DEDEAGATCH.

A message from Athens states that seventeen Greek transports left Salonika, conveying 12,000 Bulgarians to Dedeaagatch.

#### A NEW DANGER.

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia telegraphs that a large part of Adrianople has been set on fire through the dropping of pyroxylin bombs from aeroplanes.

#### A NEW FLAG.

The "Daily Telegraph" correspondent at Durazzo states that the Albanian national flag, a black eagle on a red ground, has been hoisted on the Government buildings. The authorities had previously been prepared to surrender to the Serbians, but the latter, who are only one thousand strong, are reported to have suspended their advance when ten hours' distant. Proclamations of autonomy are general in the larger Albanian towns.

#### THE NEGOTIATIONS.

Later.  
The Turco-Bulgarian plenipotentiaries continued their meeting late on Wednesday evening and resumed again on Thursday.

#### NAVAL CONTINGENTS.

The foreign naval contingents are gradually re-embarking at Constantinople.

#### BULGARIAN RECRUITS.

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia states that the recruits of the 1914 class will be summoned to the colours on December 3rd.

#### THE NEW ALBANIA.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome says a message has been received from Valona to the effect that an Assembly of Albanian delegates has proclaimed the independence and neutrality of Albania and constituted a Provisional Government. The Assembly will shortly send a Commission to the European Governments to request the recognition of Albania.

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#### CONFERENCE PROPOSAL.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, November 28.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin wires that the authorities received on Thursday Sir Edward Grey's proposal for a Conference of Ambassadors to consider the question of Albania, the Aegean Islands and the Dardanelles. The authorities are unable at the moment to express an opinion on the project, which is understood to be rather in the nature of a suggestion than a formal proposal. This, however, does not imply that their attitude is unfavourable.

#### WAR FEVER.

Reuter's correspondent at Koenigsberg states that Herr Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor, has telegraphed to the Governor of East Prussia asking him to endeavour to allay the war fever which appears to exist in the Province, and for which there is no justification. The Chancellor states that the alarming reports of warlike preparations on both sides of the Russo-Prussian frontier are without foundation, as no special military measures have been taken by Germany and no information of Russian military activity has reached Berlin which Germany has found necessary to meet by counter preparations.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin says Herr Bethmann-Hollweg's telegram was sent because mobilisation rumours were causing a "run" on the Municipal Bank at Koenigsberg. It is added that the border Provinces are specially liable to such scares.

#### AUSTRIAN PRECAUTIONS.

Reuter's Vienna correspondent states that in the Reichsrath the Premier announced that he would be introducing shortly three Bills relating to the supply of horses, the support of dependents of soldiers in the event of mobilisation, and military transport. He emphasised the urgency of a speedy and smooth passage of the measures and requested the Parliamentary leaders to come to an understanding to facilitate this end.

#### STILL CRITICAL.

Later.  
Reuter's correspondent at Vienna says the "Neue Freie Presse" reports that the Premier, in announcing the three Bills in the Reichsrath, remarked that the international situation was unchanged. The announcement has made a great impression, as it shows that the situation is still critical.

#### SUFFRAGETTE'S LATEST.

#### PARAFFIN RAGS IN PILLAR BOXES.

London, November 28.

Quantities of corrosive fluid and paraffin-soaked rags have been found in a number of pillar-boxes in the West End this evening. This is believed to be the work of Suffragettes. The police are actively investigating the matter.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

#### ANTICIPATING TROUBLE.

[From Chinese Sources.]  
Peking, November 28.

In view of the outcry of the people in favour of an expedition to Fulin, the Central Government has decided to invade Mongolia as soon as the negotiations with the Russian Minister fall through.

#### THE HUNCHUTSE.

President Yuan has telegraphed to Fung Lun-kok to recruit the Hung-hutse and form a frontier force for the expedition to Mongolia.

#### EX-EMPEROR'S ILLNESS.

Hsuan Tung, the dethroned Emperor, has had several fits, due to high fever, and his condition is growing serious. "Shat Po."

#### NEGOTIATIONS WITH RUSSIA.

Shanghai, November 28.  
Lu Ching-cheung opened formal negotiations with the Russian Minister at Peking on 27th inst.

#### RUSSIA'S REGRETS.

It is reported that the Russian Government is regretful of the action taken in Mongolia, owing to the opposition of the other foreign nations. It is also reported that the Russian Minister at Peking has wired to his Government to cancel the Treaty with Mongolia for the sake of preserving peace in the Far East. "Shat Po."

#### PREMIER'S TASK.

Shanghai, November 28.  
Premier Chin Ping-kwan has made a public announcement that he will bear the responsibility for dealing with the diplomatic question concerning Fulin, with Russia, and that he hopes the members of various societies will cease agitating.

#### ANTI-GOVERNMENT SOCIETY.

President Yuan has received information of the secret movements of the Anti-Government Society, and has directed the provincial authorities through out China to suppress the same by severe measures.

#### TROUBLE IN KIANGSU.

The lekin stations at Pong-fou in Kiangsu, have been demolished by the people. All shops are closed and a general strike among the people is proceeding. "Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

#### RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LTD.

Manager's Report for Four Weeks Ending November 2, 1912.

The report of the manager of the Raub A. G. M. Co., Ltd., for the four weeks ending November 2, reads:—

Gentlemen,—I beg to submit my monthly report on your mining and milling operations.

The accompanying sheet of mine measurements and assay results shows a total of 194 ft. made up as follows:—Sinking 42 ft., driving on Lodes 84 ft., and crosscutting 68 ft., and compares with a total of 257 ft. for the previous four weeks.

#### Mines.

Bukit Moman.—The Main Shaft has been sunk 14 ft., making a total of 59 ft. below the 740 ft. level.

740 ft. Level.—The Main Drive North has been advanced 18 ft., making a total of 21 ft. The lode for 45 ins. wide is worth 5.32 dwts.

The Main Drive South has been extended 15 ft., making a total of 30 ft., and the lode for the width of the drive, assays 5.37 dwts.

At 108 ft. from Shaft a drive has been started South, to lode to winze coming down from the 640 ft. level South, and is now in

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### TRAGEDY AND MYSTERY.

#### CORNISH SEASIDE AFFAIR.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, November 28.

An extraordinary tragedy, which has occurred at Newquay, a rising watering place in Cornwall, is attracting much attention.

A retired Singapore solicitor, named De Lar, committed suicide there after a three days' fruitless search for Mrs. Nowill, the wife of a Sheffield merchant, who was staying at Newquay and who frequently went golfing with Mr. De Lar.

Mrs. Nowill disappeared on Saturday and is still undiscovered. At the inquest on Mr. De Lar it transpired that he had bequeathed £30,000 to Mrs. Nowill. A verdict of *felo de se* was returned.

a 6 ft. on a branch 48 ins. wide assaying 5 dwts. resembling in almost every respect, the lode in the winze.

640 ft. Level.—On the 108 ft. lode the drive North has been advanced 7 ft., making a total of 230 ft. The lode is 27 ins. wide and assays 4 dwts. The South end has been driven 12 ft., making a total of 222 ft., the lode averaging 5 dwts. over a width of 53 ins. No. 1 Winze has been deepened 21 ft. below the collar. The lode is of mixed character, assaying 7 dwts. over a width of 36 ins. We are hastening on the sinking of this winze in order to improve the ventilation of the 740 ft. level.

340 ft. Level.—The Drive South is being continued in a poor lode, 12 ft. having been accomplished during the month making a total of 465 ft.

Crosscuts for Stope Filling amount to 9 ft.

Stopes.—Above the 640 ft. level 4 stopes are being worked. Lode averages 81 ins. wide and is worth 4.85 dwts. Above the 640 ft. level one stope is working, lode averages 84 ins. wide and is worth 5.75 dwts. Above the 440 ft. level 2 stopes are being worked. Lode averages 63 ins. wide and produces 4.07 dwts.

#### Anderson.

360 ft. Level.—The Main Cross-cut West has been extended 37 ft. making a total of 45 ft.

The lode was intersected at 31 ft., and proved to be 33 ins. wide, producing 5.34 dwts. gold per ton.

Drives have been started North and South on this lode, that on the North being poor and small, but the lode on the South side more than maintains its value and width.

These drives will be steadily proceeded with and the crosscut is being continued West.

The Drive South of the Air Shaft at the 80 ft. level has been extended 16 ft., making a total of 53 ft., in a large loose lode producing low grade ore.

The Winze, sinking in Bukit Hitam Outcrop, has been sunk 7 ft., making a total of 75 ft. below the collar. The work here has been intermittent on account of water difficulties. The lode is 30 ins. wide and assays 5 dwts. per ton.

For Stope Filling 22 ft. of crosscutting has been done.

Stopes.—Above the 280 ft. level there are 3 stopes in operation, and during the month they have averaged 4.4 dwts. over a width of 51 ins.

#### Surface Works.

During the month 8,565 tons of surface ore have been raised and treated, including 137 tons of rock from Bukit Hitam Outcrop.

#### Milling.

The Milling Sheet accompanies this report. Four Willey Tables recovered 35.9 tons of concentrate, assaying 0.75 ozs. per ton. This was crushed with 57 tons of old tailings.

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### LONDON OUTRAGE.

#### THE ASSAILANT CHARGED.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, November 28.

Albert Bowes, the assailant of Sir Edward Henry, Police Commissioner in London, has been remanded on a charge of attempted murder.

Sir Edward Henry has had a good night's rest and it is believed that his condition is not dangerous.

#### General.

The concrete foundations for our new Air Compressor have been completed. The necessary structural alterations have been made, and the bed logs placed in position. The Compressor is delivered and the work of installing it is proceeding rapidly.

At Bukit Malacca a new frame for No. 2 Huntington Mill has been made to replace the old one, and during the month these repairs have been carried out, which partly accounts for the "lost time" to the Bukit Malacca Milling Plant.

Milling Sheet for four weeks ending November 2, 1912.

#### Bukit Koman

40 stamps worked 26.12 days. Lost time 1.88 days made up as follows:—Delays from Power Station 1.12 days, remainder to repairs, clean ups, etc.

Stone Crushed:—  
Bukit Koman ... 1,785 tons  
Anderson ... 658 tons  
Anderson Surface ... 137 tons

2,580 tons  
Huntington Mill worked 25.53 days; lost time 2.42 days, being due to delays from Power Station 91 day, balance to changing drier cleaning up, etc.

Surface Ore Crushed, —  
Anderson ... 1,320  
Total tons crushed, Bukit Koman Mills ... 3,900

Amalgam. Sponge. Bullion  
oz. oz. oz.  
Stamp Mill 1,546 551 531.50  
Huntington Mill 201 70 69.00  
Grit Mills 100 33 32.00

#### Bukit Malacca.

Two Huntington Mills ran 22 days. The lost time being made up by entirely renewing the frame of No. 2 Mill, 14 hours delay from the power Station, remainder to repairs clean ups, etc.

Surface Ore Crushed:—  
Bukit Betai 900 tons.  
Bukit Jelias 739 "

Sungei Agas 455 "  
Bukit Malacca 14 "

#### 2,108 tons.

#### SERDANG (SUMATRA) RUBBER.

#### Directors Decide to Abandon Tobacco.

The report of the Serdang (Sumatra) Rubber and Produce Estates, Limited, for the period to December 31, 1911, states that the directors have to express regret at the delay which has taken place in issuing these accounts.

The final shipments of the tobacco crop were much later than those of the previous year, and the account sales and remittances for the same were only received early this month, since when the auditors have been engaged on the accounts. Owing to the hot winds and long drought, the tobacco crop for the past year suffered very considerably. The loss in yield of being long and thin,

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### HOME RULE BILL.

#### STIFLING THE DEBATE.

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London, November 28.

Clauses 22 to 25 of the Home Rule Bill were passed by the Committee of the House of Commons with aid of the "guillotine," two clauses not being debated.

#### proved to be short and thick, and consequently did not realise the anticipated prices; therefore, an actual loss on the tobacco alone has been incurred of £5,411, which together with the other expenditure mentioned in the accounts and the amount written off buildings against the tobacco crop, has brought this loss up to £8,133. As the company's first agents, Messrs. Huttenbach and Co., desired to be relieved of the agency, the directors approached Messrs. Harrison and Crossfield, Limited, and are pleased to state that this firm accepted the agency in Medan for a period of five years. The directors congratulate the shareholders upon having secured the assistance in the management of the estate of this firm, which is so largely interested in Sumatra. The directors decided to run no further risk in connection with tobacco, and, beyond the present crop, which is now weighed into the fermenting sheds, they do not intend to plant any more. This policy has received the approval of the present agents, Well-known Planter's Report.

Mr. Victor Ris, the well-known planter and administrator of the United Serdang (Sumatra) Rubber Plantations, Limited, representing Harrison and Crossfield, Limited, has visited the estates, and reports that "the growth of the rubber trees is, generally speaking, very good, soil and climate are evidently most suitable," and, therefore, has recommended certain additions to the rubber planting, but states that he fears the climate of Serdang is not so suitable for coffee as that of some other districts, and recommends that the company should plant no more, and also remove all plants which do not appear to be growing well. A small quantity of coffee was collected last year and a small quantity has already been collected for this year, the full returns of which are not yet to hand, but it is expected that this may amount to between 50 and 60 piculs. On August 31 the company had planted 111,376 Hevea trees, against 102,834 last year, the small increase being accounted for by the great drought rendering planting inadvisable, and there remained a large number of plants in the nursery about two years old. A considerable number of these will have been planted out since that date. At the same time there were 102,475 coffee trees planted. The incoming tobacco crop amounts to about 1,001 piculs, which is a good average, and the directors are advised from the estate that the crop as a whole, in spite of a further very dry season, is better than last year's. Owing to the fall in the Rubber Share Market, and the product generally, there has been no opportunity of floating any portion of the estate as a subsidiary company, and the negotiations which were in hand last year did not result in any business. Mr. Ris estimates that the rubber crop alone for 1912 should amount to 4,500 lbs., for 1914 33,500 lbs., and for 1915 90,000 lbs., with ultimate large increase, but the general upkeep of the planted area and his planting recommendations necessitate the immediate raising of capital. The directors are now considering the raising of capital for which the closest attention of the directors is being given.

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China Mail.

The Rioting.

But for the effectual manner in  
which the Police coped with the  
various bands of disorderly Chi-  
nese who gathered about Des  
Voeux Road on Tuesday evening  
it appears that considerable riot-  
ing—possibly worse—would have  
occurred. The Police officials  
are to be congratulated upon the  
firmness they displayed and upon  
the success that attended their  
methods, which appear to have  
been perfectly adequate. Such  
disorderly people must be taught  
that their mischievous manner of  
expressing a grievance will not  
be tolerated, and that the  
riotous conduct which they are  
too prone to indulge in, on  
the slightest occasion, will be  
rigorously dealt with. The  
punishments imposed at the  
Magistracy yesterday were suffi-  
cient, we believe, to meet the case  
and did not err on the side of  
leniency, which, had it been  
shown, would have been mis-  
placed—perhaps misunderstood  
—by the Chinese, and possibly  
would have had the opposite  
effect of that intended. Happily,  
there has been no recurrence of  
the riotous scenes, and it may  
therefore be concluded that the  
Police have been completely  
successful and that the disorderly  
element among the Chinese com-  
munity have been taught a  
salutary lesson.

Daily Press.

The Police Force.

While we have never question-  
ed the purity of the police force  
believing that on the whole it  
is as satisfactory as can reasonably  
be expected, with the exception  
perhaps of isolated cases among  
the Chinese and Indians, and  
while we readily admit that the  
European members especially are  
zealous officers, we have never-  
theless held the opinion that too  
much has been expected of them.  
For instance, we have pointed  
out that European residences  
with open doors and open  
windows could hardly hope  
to escape the attentions of thieves  
and burglars. Then the difficulties  
of capturing criminals when  
the means of escape by land and  
sea are so numerous and so easy,  
have to be borne in mind, as they  
certainly add to the work of the  
police force; and neither should  
it be overlooked that hordes of  
known criminals, who have found  
Canton and Macao too warm for  
them, have come to Hongkong  
for shelter and with the hope of  
resuming their nefarious practices.  
These special difficulties, added  
to the ordinary requirements of  
the Colony, in our opinion justify  
a larger police force than we have  
at present. We know that the  
Government does not share this  
view, and considers that the force  
with the increases proposed will  
be adequate.

South China Morning Post.

The Constantinople Legend.

No doubt international jealous-  
ies will begin to fight on the side  
of the Turks should their capital  
fall, and there will not be wanting  
advocates of retention of Constani-  
tinople by Mussulman Power. It  
even been reported that England  
is averse to the abolition of Mus-  
sulman ownership of Constani-  
tinople, fearing the effect which  
such a development might have  
upon her own millions of  
Mohammedan subjects in India.  
On the other hand, might it not  
be urged that the manifestation  
of this fear on the part of England  
through opposition to the final  
expulsion of the Turks will be  
interpreted to the disadvantage  
of the Great Raj by those every-  
where Mohammedan subjects who  
will thus be encouraged to rise in  
rebellion against her? One thing  
may with confidence be predicted,  
viz., that Russia will no longer  
tolerate the presence of a potential  
foe at the entrance to the Black  
Sea.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

## Sir Joseph Dimsdale's Estate.

The estate of Sir Joseph Dimsdale, City Chamberlain since 1902, and formerly Lord Mayor of London, has been sworn at £29,166 gross, with net personality £28,091.

## Sir Patrick Manson.

Sir Patrick Manson had the honour of being received by the King at Buckingham Palace on 28th ult., when His Majesty invested him with the insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George.

## The Opium Traffic.

A proclamation was issued at Wuchang, last week ordering all opium shops to close within two weeks and all merchants to bring the opium in their possession to a specially appointed official. The Government will open one depot for a period of six months, after which any opium which has not been consumed will be burned. All opium smokers will be required to register their names and the quantity of opium which they procure. They will then be given their allowance at the Government depot upon production of a tally. Opium merchants will receive compensation monthly from the results of the Government sales. Unauthorised sellers of opium will be punished by the confiscation of their stocks, heavy fines and imprisonment on lines similar to those introduced in Hunan and Kiangsi.

## A Carefully Guarded Secret.

New York correspondents of a Home paper states that a secret carefully guarded for six months was discovered on October 27 when it became known that Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris Jones, daughter of General Ulysses Grant, lost last May a historic emerald ring, given to her father by the Emperor of Japan at the time the famous soldier made his tour of the world. The ring, the intrinsic value of which is placed at \$5,000, was accidentally dropped down the waste pipe at the Hotel Renaissance, New York. The city's sewer, running from Fifth to Seventh avenue, on Forty-third street, was cleaned of every particle of residue, and the entire sewerage system of the Hotel Renaissance was explored without result.

## Lord Wolseley and China.

So recently as 1895 Lord Wolseley, who learnt in 1860 by personal experience what the Chinese soldier might be, wrote his opinion of the Chinese people. They possess, he said, all the physical and mental qualities required for national greatness: fine men, endowed with great powers of endurance. (Even some western people shirk the International walk!) Absolutely indifferent to death, fearless, brave, and when well-trained and led, excellent soldiers. "I have seen them under fire," Wolseley thought Englishmen best fitted for the work of Chinese training, partly because of their long experience with Asiatics, partly because of their temperament, and the success of Col. Bruce and Col. Barnes at Weihaiwei bears out his view. No other nation, he says, has so great an interest in preventing the disruption of China as England has.

## Parliament and Wireless.

At the meeting of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to investigate the circumstances connected with the negotiations and completion of the Marconi agreement on October 30 Sir Alexander F. King, the Secretary of the Post Office, was further examined. Most of the evidence had reference to the Poulsen system, and the witness was closely questioned by Lord Robert Cecil with a view to eliciting why a report of the Technical Sub-Committee, which stated that the Poulsen system was capable of doing the work, was not submitted to the Imperial Wireless Telegraphy Committee. Sir Alexander King, in reply to Mr. Amery, stated that the objection to the Poulsen system was that the Post Office would have had to spend money in order to develop it. He also agreed that between the first proposal put forward by the promoters of the Poulsen scheme and the final agreement upon with the Marconi Company, there was a difference of £280,000.

## SERVICE MATTERS.

## Trincornelli as a Naval Base.

It is rumoured in Colombo that Trincornelli is to be restored to its former status of an Admiralty base. For over a century Trincornelli was a very important station in the East, but owing to it being rather far north for the traffic of the Far East its importance declined, and some five years ago it was abandoned and its fortifications dismantled.

## Two Well-known French Officers Dead.

The death is announced in Paris of one of the doyens of the old French Army, General Etienne. His numerous campaigns included those of China and of Cochin-China. The sudden death is also announced from an apoplectic stroke, in Paris, of Rear-Admiral de La Croix de Castries. The deceased, who was 53 years of age, commanded the French Squadron in the Far East up to 18 months ago.

## A Foul Slander on a Gallant Regiment.

Of the alleged disorderliness among the South Wales Borderers alluded to in last Friday's "Telegraph" the "L. and C. Express" November 1 says:—"The story about the disorderliness in the 2nd Battalion South Wales Borderers at Pretoria, prior to its departure for Tientsin, North China, turns out to be what we believed to be a foul slander on a gallant regiment. Three time-expired men had some trouble with the local police. That was all. There was no disarming of the men to prevent outrages by them, and the departure of the battalion was marked with perfect orderliness and discipline. The Mayor and Town Council invited Colonel Carson and his men to a fare-well luncheon when they would arrive there to embark, but owing to the train and transport arrangements the invitation was declined with much regret by Lieut-Colonel Carson. So far as was possible the loyal townspeople of Durban gave the Borderers a fine send-off."

Increasing difficulty in filling the junior commissioned ranks of the Royal Marines has, says the "Globe", very naturally reopened the old vexed question of the employment, or rather the entire absence of any chance of employment, of the general officers of the corps. However distinguished may be the services of an officer in the field, and however brilliantly he may shine as a strategist and tactician above others at the Staff College, the moment he arrives at the rank of major-general he is placed on the shelf as a matter of course as an impossibility. He becomes, in the eyes of the Naval and Military Authorities, incapable, in virtue of his office, of employment in any military command. It is too serious a matter for jest, yet the Marine General is as much of an absurdity as the proverbial Horse Marine. Many of the officers of the corps have performed excellent service in the field, in administrative work, and as instructors, and would do credit to any command, but they are never given the chance.

Automatic Rifles. Our Military Authorities do not seem to be quite up to date in the all-important matter of a new rifle, remarks the "Globe". We were recently told by a War Office Committee, which went into the whole subject and carried out extended trials at Hythe, that no reliable automatic weapon had yet appeared. We now learn that Germany has decided upon one, and that France is like to follow her rival's lead. A Service contemporary tells us also that five of the Great Powers have just placed trial orders with Messrs. Vickers. The difficulties have hitherto been great, it is true, in the weight of the original samples of the weapon, and in the liability of the barrel to become quickly overheated and so affect the efficiency of the rifle. But in both these respects great improvements have now been made by more than one manufacturer. The weight has been reduced, the tendency for the barrel to become overheated counteracted, the mechanical details simplified, so that the rifle is not only a quick-firing magazine rifle but the magazine can be emptied without taking it from the shoulder.

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Lieutenant R. B. Davies, who recently returned home from China, where he served on the Minotaur, late flagship of the Squadron, has joined at Eastchurch for a course in aviation.

## Col. Ridout, R.E.

Lieutenant-Colonel D. H. Ridout, Royal Engineers, who as already stated in the "Telegraph," takes up the duties of C.R.E. at Singapore, served on the staff in South Africa during the war of 1900-2 and shared in the operations in the Transvaal, Orange River Colony, and Cape Colony (mentioned in despatches, Queen's medal with three clasps, and King's medal with two clasps).

## S. W. Borderers Officers.

Second Lieutenant W. F. Matthews, South Wales Borderers, has been selected for service with the West African Regiment. This officer was appointed to the Borderers in June, 1911. At the present time there are five officers of the Borderers serving with the West African Frontier Force.

## Sir William Taylor.

Sir William Taylor, K.O.M.G., representative of the Federated Malay States, has left London for the Mauritius, on a special mission for the Colonial Office to reorganise the Customs in that island. During his absence Mr. W. C. Parr, Resident of Negri Sembilan, is in temporary charge of the London office of the Federated Malay States.

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### The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1912.

#### NATIONAL SEA TRAINING.

The question of more systematic and widespread training of British boys for the mercantile marine is again receiving considerable attention at Home, and we are glad to see that strenuous efforts are being made to rouse the Government to a sense of its duty on this important matter. British sailors for British ships is a cry which has long been raised, but it represents an ideal which can only be turned into practice by the whole question of training lads for the sea being given that degree of seriousness which it rightly deserves. And if Britain is to maintain her proud position as the premier maritime nation of the world, it is quite clear that far greater attention will have to be paid to the matter both by the Imperial Government and by local authorities than is at present the case. For we have virile, go-ahead competitors to face in this, as in other realms of activity, and it will certainly not be sufficient, in a question of this sort, to trust to the good old British habit of "muddling through". With the birth of new nations possessing well-defined aspirations for greater supremacy on the sea, the idea of trusting to luck and good fortune must once and for all be abandoned. And the sooner this fact is squarely faced the better.

It will probably come as a surprise to most people to learn that the British Government is the only one among the Governments of maritime nations which, as a Government, does nothing towards training lads for the sea. Yet this is the statement made by the Marquis of Grahame at the third National Conference on Sea Training recently held in London. This gathering was attended by representatives of every public body in the Kingdom interested in the sea and in the welfare of the boys of the nation, including delegates from education authorities, shipping companies and training ships, and all were unanimous on the principle of founding a thorough-going system of training in British ships for British lads. Quite a number of points of more than passing interest were raised. For instance, it was argued that if passengers are to be saved in shipwrecks, and if the seamen's lives, too, are to be safeguarded, a larger number not only of deck hands but of other ratings as well, will have to receive proper sea training. And we read a remark made by the President to the effect that in looking over the Titanic enquiry, an uncomfortable suspicion stole into his mind as to whether the deck hands on the ill-fated White Star liner really had the qualifications which were supposed to be represented by the letters A. B. Another point brought forward was that in the next great naval war, armaments will be required for merchant vessels, and it was asserted that if the Admiralty intends considering such matters as strengthening decks and putting guns on board, there is neither the discipline, nor the gunnery, nor the technical knowledge of any kind capable of dealing with such armaments when put there. Of course, in a matter of this kind, money is needed if ample and efficient training is to be given, and this point was not lost sight of by the Conference. More than that, it was announced that the Government had now become convinced of the necessity of encouraging training schemes of the kind under notice, and a letter was read from the Chancellor of the Exchequer stating that he was in consultation with the Board of Trade and the Board of Education on the question of providing monetary assistance to promote this most important branch of technical instruction.

The future, therefore, appears decidedly hopeful. In this matter voluntary effort, which, it is true, has done much in the past, is inadequate. Funds, and ample funds, are needed if the question is to be seriously tackled. Of this there can be no doubt: that if we are prepared to pay, we can get boys trained as seamen in large numbers, and, having got them trained, there is no doubt that shipping owners would see to it that employment was found for them. Indeed, at the Conference named, Mr. Concanon, of the White Star and allied lines, declared that shipowners were really anxious to give preference to lads who have had some preliminary training. It is therefore right to be hoped that in this matter there will be much less cause for reproach than there has been in the past. It is a vital question, and, like all vital questions, it cannot afford to be ignored.

#### DAY BY DAY.

This is not a world of strict logic, but of constantly shifting compromise.

United Serdang.  
United Serdang has declared a final dividend of 25 per cent.

Ball at Government House.  
Invitations have been issued for a ball at Government House on 12th December.

Opium Possession.  
Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, fined a man \$27 for being in unlawful possession of opium.

Garrison Infants School.  
The Garrison Infants' School, Garden Road, will be closed from 29th November to 12th December, both dates inclusive.

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Dr. Lamb.  
Dr. W. R. Lamb, the American oculist and optician specialist at present practising at the Astor House, will leave Hongkong on December 2.

The Tean's Trip.  
The s.s. Tean (Capt. Outerbridge) from Manila reports having experienced strong monsoon, high seas and cloudy weather on the run up.

The Dollar.  
The military rate of the dollar for the quarter commencing 1st January, 1913, will be 2s. 1d. for all payments fixed in sterling which have to be made at Hongkong and on the China Station.

Returned to the Colony.  
Mr. M. W. Slade, K. C., and Mr. P. W. Goldring were among the passengers returning to Hongkong by the s.s. China to-day. Mr. von Wiser, Austrian Consul, and his wife returned by the s.s. Lutzow.

Insufficient Precautions.  
A fine of \$25 was imposed on a contractor from West Point, charged at the Police Court, this morning, with not taking sufficient precautions when blasting. Mr. Masco, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grest defended.

Seamen's Institute Concert.  
A concert will be given at the Seamen's Institute on Monday evening. The first part of the programme will be musical, and the second will take the form of a magic lantern exhibition by the Rev. W. H. Foster-Pegg, dealing with travels in the Orient.

Sale of Curios.  
The sale of Japanese curios and works of art, selected by Mr. S. Nomura, of Kyoto commenced, at Mr. G. Lamont's Sales Room this afternoon. The prices for pottery and bronze, with the sale of which the auction opened brought only small bids from a fair attendance.

Debating Society.  
The Y.M.C.A. Parliamentary Debating Society is to open its first session at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms on Monday evening, when the King's Speech will be read. The proceedings commence at 9 p.m. and all interested, whether Y.M.C.A. members or otherwise, will be welcomed.

A New Departure.  
To-morrow there will be a new departure in the religious life of the Anglican Community in the fact that, the day being St. Andrew's day, a day for intercession for Foreign Missions, the Chaplain of the Cathedral, the Rev. V. H. O. Moyle has arranged that there will be a stream of private intercession from the Cathedral throughout the day. Arrangements have been made whereby worshippers will be praying in the sacred edifice from 10.30 in the morning until after 5.30 in the evening.

Captain Green.  
Captain J. F. E. Green, who has just been appointed to the command of the cruiser Royal Arthur, first saw active service as a midshipman of the Achilles in the Egyptian War of 1882. He was specially promoted commander for his gallant conduct when in command of the Pigmy during the Boxer troubles in China, and he holds a remarkable array of foreign decorations—the Italian Order of the Crown, the Austrian Order of the Iron Crown, the Medjidie of Turkey, and the St. Maurice and St. Lazarus of Italy, of which he is a commander.

#### THE VOLUNTEER SHAM FIGHT.

Umpires' Decision on Attack by the Reserves.

The umpires' decision as to the mock battle which took place at Fan Ling last Sunday between the Volunteers and the Reserves, is as follows:—

The umpires adjudge the attack to have failed. This result was greatly due to the lack of co-operation between the Scouts and the Reserves. The only order given to the latter appears to have been to meet the Scouts at One Tree Gap at 7 a.m. The Reserves were at the point at 6.45 a.m., but the Scouts failed to meet them. The Reserves then advanced alone down the valley towards Lau Shui Hang and this became completely separated from the Scouts.

They came under a heavy fire both from rifles and artillery, and were ordered by the umpires to retire. They again advanced later and were a second time ordered to retire. Meanwhile, Sgt. Biden, who had been posted on the top of the high hill on the right of the position, elected to retire. Had the Reserves been aware of this move and attacked the hill, the whole of the defensive position would have become untenable. The defensive positions were well occupied as a whole, though on the right centre the infantry appeared to be injudiciously posted. Capt. Churchill's advanced Scouts was dismounted by inability to get into communication with the main body.

More attention is required to the following points: 1. keeping in touch when night marching; 2. avoiding the sky-line; 3. scouts and look-out men should keep perfectly still and not be constantly moving; 4. commanding officers of units should keep with their men and not leave all the work to the N.C.O.s; 5. judging distances. There seemed to be a great tendency to overestimate the various ranges.

#### GOVERNOR OF MACAO ARRIVES.

His Excellency the Governor of Macao arrived in Hongkong at 5.30, yesterday evening. His Excellency was accompanied by his Secretary and his Aide de Camp. Capt. the Hon. F. R. Somerset, Aide de Camp to His Excellency Sir Henry May, and Consul J. J. Leiria, received the visitor, the party proceeding to Blake Pier in the Government launch. By the monument a guard of honour was drawn up consisting of 100 of the rank and file, and two subalterns of the 8th Rifles under the command of Captain Cutler. As His Excellency the Governor of Macao landed, the regimental band played the Portuguese National Anthem. After saluting the colours, and inspecting the guard of honour, His Excellency proceeded to Government House in Sir Henry May's motor car.

#### MRS. TAFT'S SISTER.

Interesting Comment on Recent Election.

Yesterday evening Miss Heron, the sister-in-law to Mr. William H. Taft, the President of the United States, was good enough to spend a few minutes in conversation with a representative of the "Hongkong Telegraph." She said that she expected to stay in Hongkong until about Tuesday next when she would leave to go to Cambodia. The fact which she is on would end with her arrival at home somewhere next fall, or it may be not until Christmas twelvemonth.

"I am unable to give you any news about the election," she said "for all the letters that I have had up to the present are dated before the election."

"Do you think that the result of the election would come as any surprise to Mr. Taft?"—she was asked.

"No; I don't think so. He seemed to expect the result," was her reply.

#### TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, at 9.45 a.m. to-day.

Cyclone or Typhoon over the Zulu Sea moving W. or W.N.W.

#### THE EKATERINOSLAV.

R. V. F. Steamer in Difficulties.

The Russian Volunteer Fleet's steamer Ekaterinoslav, which left Singapore on Saturday the 18th inst., has had some exciting experiences. She was expected at Hongkong between the 23rd and the 28th but as no word came as to her whereabouts some amount of anxiety was felt as to her safety, in view of the fact that typhoons were about and vessels arriving from Singapore reported extremely rough passages.

On the 28th inst. the s.s. Benlarig, which was to leave Singapore at the same time as the Ekaterinoslav, arrived at Hongkong and R. V. F. authorities at once made enquiries of her captain as to the missing vessel.

The Benlarig's captain stated that the two ships had left together at a 12-knot speed, and that he had kept the Ekaterinoslav in sight for three days, after which he got ahead and lost all track of her. He conjectured that she had gone further to the Eastward, with the intention of leaving the Paracels on the left, instead of following his own course which was nearer to the coast. This was all that could be learned.

On the 28th, however, Captain Lukmanhoff, the local manager of the R. V. F., received a telegram from Captain Tideman, skipper of the Ekaterinoslav, saying that the vessel was at Manila and was then on the point of leaving. When a representative of the "Telegraph" called on Captain Lukmanhoff at midday to-day, he was expecting news of the vessel's arrival every moment.

The Ekaterinoslav is a cargo vessel of 6,581 tons gross and 4,175 net register. She is carrying no passengers, but has on board about 7,000 tons of cargo—mostly iron for the Siberian railway.

#### ST. ANDREWS BALL.

An Excellent Scheme of Decorations.

Throughout the past few days there has been much coming and going in the City Hall where the decorations of the St. Andrew's Ball have been hard at work putting up the extensive embellishments which have always been a feature of the opening ball of the season. This year there has been some departure from the usual scheme of decoration and in some respects it bids fair to be an improvement. The vestibule practically presents the impression of a thickly hedged path in which the hedgerows have been picked out with electric lights cunningly hidden in the dense greenery which has been arranged around the pillars. Just at the entrance a St. Andrew's Cross has been erected which when carried out in glow lamps will add a great touch of brilliancy to the scene.

At the top of the stairs which are covered with pot plants and palms is the lion of Scotland on a red shield and the general idea of lights hidden is carried out in a mass of green stuff which veils the walls.

The dancing rooms—St. Andrews' and St. George's Halls—are as usual the object of special care and to say that they do credit to the large band of workers is but to give a small meed of praise.

The theatre, as is customary, is the supper room and this, too, has been extensively decorated, all the arches being outlined with leaves and surmounted by the coat of arms of one or other of the clans.

The whole of the decorations are well done throughout and great credit is due to Messrs Duncan and Wynne, who seem to have done the lion's share of the work.

#### Rail Estranged.

A man charged with cruelty to pigeons and let out in bail of \$5, failed to appear at the Police Court, this morning, and his bail was estranged. The case was from West Point.

#### HEAVY WEATHER.

"China" Reports Big Seas Outside.

The Pacific Mail ship, "China," that steamed into Hongkong early to-day, reports terrific weather outside. One of the officers said: "It is blowing very hard and a big sea is running. We made excellent time, all things being considered, but I pity the crew and passengers of the boat that passed us outward bound this morning! She was diving into it in a lively fashion, and the seas were thoroughly washing her down, even before she had time to head abeam."

In speaking further of the weather our informant added:

"One of the most beautiful sights that I have ever seen was when we passed the s.s. Shinyo Maru, close aboard. It was clear overhead, and a brilliant moonlight night but a nearly full gale was blowing, and the Japanese ship seemed to be almost standing still, while great sheets of spray, that seemed as a silver veil in the moon rays, flew completely over her."

"The glass was fairly steady all the way across, but of course slightly below the normal."

#### Ran from Typhoon.

The German Mail steamer "Lutzow" appears to have had severe weather during her voyage from Singapore to Hongkong.

A statement to this effect was verified to-day by Messrs Baum, Blunk, Bruckner, Koch, Krakusky, Kruppe and Leonhardt, who arrived in the Colony by the steamer.

When interviewed by a representative of the Hongkong "Telegraph," Mr. Baum said: "Yes, we have had very bad weather, but we did not run between two typhoons, as has been stated. The tail end of one caught us, and our captain decided that it would be best to run from the centre of it, as the seas were mounting, and the glass was falling very rapidly."

"Captain G. Bortfeldt said that it was one of the worst storms that he had ever been in," our informant added.

The gentleman whom we quote is on his way to New Zealand, with his friends, and expects to visit Tasmania also, looking for business opportunities.

Mr. Bruckner said, in speaking of the "Lutzow's" sea-going qualities:—

"She is a very fine vessel, and we did not suffer very much inconvenience, although the seas were tremendous, and at times I thought that they would surely engulf us. The management of the ship was perfect, and we all admired Captain Bortfeldt's able handling of his vessel under most trying circumstances."

The party are staying at the Grand Hotel, and leave to-morrow for the South.

#### LOCAL SPORT.

##### CRICKET.

Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club meet Hongkong A. on Saturday. The following will represent the C.S.C.C.—R. E. O. Bird (Captain), R. O. Hutchison, A. G. Sayer, R. C. Witcheil, E. B. Reed, Poole, Cox, Biden, Ellis, Barlow and Jackman.

The following members have been selected to represent K.O.O. to play against Staff and Departmental at Kowloon on Saturday at 2 p.m. sharp—K. R. Macaskill, F. de Rome, F. Sutton, H. S. Rouse, J. H. Mead, E. C. Smith, J. I. Robinson, B. D. Evans, A. R. F. Raven, W. E. Dixon, W. L. Weaver.

Hongkong Cricket League.

The following is the Table up to date:—

Club.	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Craigengower	4	3	1	0	9
Kowloon	1	1	0	0	3
Hongkong "B"	1	1	0	0	3
Staff & Depts.	3	0	1	2	2
H.K. Police	3	—	2	1	1
R.E.	2	—	1	1	1
Hongkong "A"	1	—	1	0	0

A win—3 points.

A draw—1 point.

##### Removing Land.

Two women were each fined \$5, at the Police Court, this morning, for removing sand from the foreshore at Kennedy Town. Inspector Dymond proved the charge.

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

##### A Ridiculous Sentence.

In our leading article of yesterday we commented upon the fatality and weakness of inflicting mild punishment on Chinese who, on occasions like the present tramway boycott, absolutely set at defiance law and order. We have no desire to be continually harping on this subject, but a sentence inflicted in Mr. Melbourne's court yesterday compels us to return to the matter. We refer to the case of the youth who was found reading a notice threatening to blow up any who patronised the trams, and who, on being requested to move on, turned round and assaulted the police. For this offence the offender was fined one solitary dollar. We know nothing of the details of the case, but inasmuch as the charge was one of assaulting the police and the defendant was found guilty, it is obvious that the magisterial decision erred on the side of leniency. We wonder what would be the punishment on a European for a like offence.

##### A Noteworthy Incident.

Our leading article to-day deals with the question of training lads for the sea, and it is interesting in this connection to note a little incident almost verging on the dramatic made at a recent meeting of the Marine Society. It occurred on the introduction of a new Life Governor of this famous Society for the training of boys at sea, in the person of Mr. A. Pearson. The new Governor told the meeting that, a number of years ago, he came before the then committee of the Marine Society with only three-halpence in his pocket and asked to be taken on board the training ship. The request was granted, and said Mr. Pearson, success had attended him ever since. But the most interesting announcement was yet to come—Mr. Pearson followed up his observations with a gift of railway stock to show what a fine work can be accomplished by societies whose aim it is to train lads for the merchant service—a service which makes real man of many a poor and wayward lad.

##### Shortage of Officers.

Yesterday we published a portion of a letter addressed to the Mercantile Marine Service Association, in which the present dearth of ships' officers was made startlingly clear. The "Telegraph" has repeatedly urged that merchant ship officers are far too often under-paid and over-worked; and to this might be added the contention that the merchant service does not offer sufficient inducements, where promotion is concerned, to encourage young men to enter the profession. Unless things are materially altered, the shortage will most assuredly continue. Compared with his brother at Home, the China Coast mate or engineer is extremely well paid, and has quite reasonable hopes of promotion. But, in order to obtain these improved conditions, he must become an exile. The officer of the more home-staying cargo boats must content himself with a bare pittance; and the man on liner service, even where pay is tolerably good, knows that he is unlikely to get a command unless he can bring private influence to bear on his Company.

##### Quacks.

We are indeed glad to see that crusades are beginning at Home and in America against the quack "doctor." No punishment is too severe for this class of pickpocket, and no Government can be fully self-respecting so long as it tolerates his existence. The same may be said of the educational and the religious quack. America is a greater sinner than England in this respect, by reason of the multitude of "universities" there which grant bogus degrees, though Britain cannot throw stones, seeing that many of her private school masters, quack doctors and dissenting preachers are excellent customers to the degree-vendors. It would be interesting to know how many such men are masquerading at the present moment in England as M.A., M.D., D.D., Ph.D., LL.D., D.Sc., and a dozen ecclesiastical titles, by the simple means of paying a guinea or so per annum to some United States university that never existed, save on paper or in the imagination of the dupes of these pseudo-graduates.



## SOTTO CHARGED.

## ANOTHER APPLICATION FOR EXTRADITION.

## Alleged Abduction of a Girl.

The belief that Vicente Sotto, the editor of the "Philippine Republican Journal," published in Hongkong, was safe in this Colony from any further attempts on the part of the Philippine authorities to have him extradited to Manila, was dissipated yesterday when he was arrested on a warrant charging him with the abduction of a girl in the Philippines. In April this year a similar charge concerning the same girl was preferred against him but Sir Francis Piggott, the Chief Justice at the time, ruled against the extradition on the grounds that the papers were irregular and that the application coming from the Governor of the Philippines, could not hold as he was the wrong person to make the application, which, he held, should come through the American Consul General.

Yesterday afternoon, Vicente Sotto, instructed Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, of Messrs. Brutton and Hett, to defend him, Mr. Hind of the firm having acted for him in the previous case.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. Hazeland, Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Brutton for the defence.

**Plea of not guilty.**  
His Worship:—Do you appear for the defendant Mr. Brutton?  
Mr. Brutton:—Yes, your Worship.

His Worship:—Can he speak English to plead?  
Mr. Brutton:—Well, I plead for him your Worship.

His Worship:—I don't think you can.  
Mr. Brutton:—Yes, I think he can plead.

His Worship:—Ask him to plead, but say if he doesn't understand the charge. You must either plead guilty or not guilty to this charge. Do you understand that? The charge is:—Vicente Sotto, late of the Philippines has been convicted of the crime of the abduction of one Aquilina Vasquez, on the 13th August 1906, at Cebu in the Philippine Islands within the jurisdiction of the United States of America.

Defendant:—Not guilty.

Mr. Hodgson:—I appear for the Crown.

His Worship:—Do you want a remand?

Mr. Hodgson:—Yes.

Mr. Brutton:—I apply for bail.

Mr. Hodgson:—I must oppose bail, your Worship, because this is an extradition case.

Mr. Brutton:—I object to my friend's opposition. On what grounds does he oppose bail?

Mr. Hodgson:—I ask on what grounds my friend applies for it.

Mr. Brutton:—Usually the onus is on the other side to show why it should be refused.

His Worship:—What bail can you put up?

Mr. Brutton:—Reasonable bail.

His Worship:—What do you call reasonable?

Mr. Brutton:—I have not asked what he can put up. (After consultation with the defendant) \$500, your Worship.

His Worship:—You won't consent to that?

Mr. Hodgson:—No, your Worship.

His Worship:—Is there every chance of him running away?

Mr. Hodgson:—Every Chance.

**Habeas Corpus Proceedings.**

Mr. Brutton:—He has been here for four years. This identical charge was the subject of Habeas Corpus proceedings whilst you were away, and he has been discharged. My friend has used the words "he will run away" is absolutely untrue and he knows it.

His Worship:—Is that so; he has been brought up on Habeas Corpus?

Mr. Hodgson:—Yes.

Mr. Brutton:—The identical charge; my friend's charge is the same. I have the papers of the case before Sir Francis Piggott and the points on which he came to his decision. That was in April this year. Now, at the end of the year they commenced the same proceedings against him on the same charge. The man has been here ever since, your Worship.

His Worship:—How long has he been in the Colony?

Mr. Brutton:—Four years.

His Worship:—Is that disputed?

Mr. Hodgson:—I cannot dispute it or say it is so or not.

His Worship:—The police will probably know?

Sergeant Appleton:—Yes; I believe so, to the best of our knowledge.

Mr. Hodgson:—Your Worship, after my friend has finished can I address you?

Mr. Brutton:—If you are going on facts yes, and if you are going on law I have not finished.

**The Same Charge.**

Mr. Hodgson:—When the case came before the Court before, your Worship was at home. The defendant was charged on exactly the same charge as now. I may say the charge at present is on information laid to the effect that the defendant has been convicted in the Philippine Islands, and has evaded justice. On that occasion he did not serve the sentence for the charge upon which he has been convicted.

His Worship:—He has run away?

Mr. Hodgson:—Yes, after conviction; after he was convicted, and had to take his trial. The case came before this Court some months ago—within a year anyhow—and he was duly committed and bail allowed him. He was committed here and taken to Victoria Gaol to await further orders. Under His Excellency's orders a writ of Habeas Corpus was taken out, and it came before the Full Court.

The Full Court discharged the prisoner on the grounds that the proceedings were wrongly taken and the requisition came from the Governor General of the Philippines.

**Papers not in Order.**

Mr. Brutton:—That is agreed.

Mr. Hodgson:—The requisition came from the Governor General of the Philippines and the requisition should have come from the Consul General. The Full Court, further, discharged him on the grounds that the papers were not in order. That is to say they were not properly authenticated under the Extradition Act. They did not discharge the prisoner on the grounds that there was nothing to show that he was not convicted in fact he admitted he was convicted—and so far, we are really justified in bringing this case again.

His Worship:—The man has been in the Colony for four years?

Mr. Hodgson:—We did not know before the first proceedings were taken how long he was in the Colony.

Mr. Brutton:—He wrote himself informing them that he was in the Colony and what he was doing.

Mr. Hodgson:—Just before the last proceedings were taken?

Mr. Brutton:—Two years before.

**The Question of Bail.**

Mr. Hodgson:—He was convicted in the Philippines and appealed in the Philippines. He was allowed out on bail in between ten and fifteen thousand pesos and he skipped that amount of bail. If your Worship is going to grant bail, the authorities are perfectly clear that in granting bail in extradition cases it must be done with the utmost care and caution—in fact Sir Francis Piggott goes so far as to say that, in his opinion, the granting of bail is inconsistent with treaties.

Mr. Brutton:—Pardon me, I was reading his work last night and he does not say that.

His Worship:—It is the practice at Bow Street not to grant bail.

Mr. Brutton:—We have a case here in 1908, and Lord Halsbury states that the question as to its being the proper thing to do is within the discretion of the Magistrate, and a strong reason must be given why it should not be granted.

Mr. Hodgson:—That might appear to assist your Worship in granting bail, but you must remember defendant was contending that he was perfectly safe here.

Mr. Brutton:—We sincerely say so still. I must assume so after the last proceedings.

Mr. Hodgson:—He must know now that since we are taking further proceedings the papers and the application are perfectly in order.

Mr. Brutton:—If my friend has finished. That is not so. If the papers are in order they could not be disputed.

His Worship:—He absconded from Manila.

Mr. Brutton:—I believe he did; he came here and gave notice to the Philippines that he was here. The authorities knew that he was here; the Consul General knew he was here, and everybody in the Colony knows that he has been running the "Philippine Republic," and as for my friend saying he will abscond, it is ridiculous. The documents were not properly authenticated. The Consul General should have made the application. All these are the grounds upon which Sir Francis Piggott gave his decision at the last trial.

There is still another point now *res adjudicata*, and this is to be raised when the time comes. I am simply asking for bail, and I think and hope that your Worship will grant the application. They know how long he has been here, that he stood his trial here, and that there will be no difficulty in finding him as there was no difficulty before.

His Worship:—What about a date?

Mr. Hodgson:—I only want a short remand.

His Worship:—I cannot take it before the 9th Dec.

The case was then remanded formally until Friday next bail in \$5,000 being granted. Mr. Brutton said the bail was prohibitive but Mr. Hodgson insisted on heavy bail being imposed.

**THE RAYMOND TEAL CO.**

Second Performance of "Back to Gay New York."

In spite of the bad weather last night there was a fairly big house at the Victoria Theatre when Mr. Raymond Teal's Musical Comedy Company presented "Back to Gay New York" for the second time, the story of which has already been given in the "Telegraph." We have seen the Company in plays which we liked better but "Back to Gay New York" adapts itself well to the limits of a small stage. Mr. Teal was quite himself as Heinze Pickleheimer—gloriously funny in his repartee and "business," and very clever in his songs, which gained repeated encores.

Miss Lillie Sutherland was quite charming as Princess Felice; Miss Claire Davis deserves a bigger part than she had, while Miss Corinne Clarke, as the woman who talks nineteen to the dozen, was really brilliant. Messrs Le Roy and Curtis played very convincingly; so, too, did Mr. Cheseboro, in spite of his having a somewhat uninteresting character to sustain.

The Company deserves to succeed, if only by virtue of the excellent work done by the chorus girls. Their dancing and their rag-time singing was extremely fascinating, their costumes pretty and artistic; while the tambourine dance, with which they opened the second act, is the prettiest thing we have seen for a long time.

To-night Mr. Teal gives a double bill—"The Bottle of Vanilla" and "Oh, You Kid!"

**BEING SETTLED.**

This morning, in the Supreme Court, Mr. Justice Gompertz, sitting in Summary jurisdiction, had before him the case in which Messrs James Gibson and Co. sued Messrs H.H. Rutledge and son to recover the sum of \$24,133.

Mr. Lewis, of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Leo D. Almada e Castro for the defendants. On the request of the solicitor for the plaintiff, the case was allowed to stand over until next Friday as the matter was being settled.

Mr. Lewis asked that the amount paid into court should be paid out without prejudice to the claim of the plaintiffs for the balance, and this was agreed upon.

**BROTHERS AT LAW.**

The case on which a Chinese is charged with defrauding his brother and nephew by means of forged power of attorney was again brought before Mr. O.D. McHugh, at the Police Court, this afternoon.

The case had not concluded as we went to press.

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## The Dutch Tin Market.

November 1.

Of tin the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce reports that the rise in prices, which commenced in the closing months of 1910, continued in 1911, so that prices were kept at a high level throughout the whole year. Although the highest price of £1130 obtained in 1906 for Banca tin was not reached in 1911, the average price of the latter year was nevertheless higher than that of 1906, and although there was likewise no reaction in 1911 of an equally sudden and serious nature as occurred in 1906, yet the fluctuations in prices were highly important again, and there was scarcely a time when the trade could be termed quiet. The market was kept in a continual state of suspension owing to repeated "squeezes," in London especially; but on this market also it was often difficult to purchase available tin. The explanation of this abnormal condition can only be found in the operations of a syndicate which for more than a year has controlled to a large extent the stock in London, and mostly also that of Banca tin in the Netherlands. At the opening of the year the price for available Banca tin was £1103.12 per 50 kilos, and the total visible world's stock about 15,750 tons; at the end of the year the price was £1123, and stock about 15,000 tons. The world's stock was smallest on April 30, viz., about 12,380 tons and largest on Jan. 31, viz., about 18,500 tons. In 1911 432,411 blocks of Banca tin were sold by auction, as against 389,155 in 1910, and 347,341 in 1909, while the Netherlands Trading Company has announced a quantity of about 400,000 blocks for 1912. Transactions on the open market were considerable on the whole. Other descriptions of Banca tin were hardly sold at all here, but there are signs which indicate that a livelier trade in Straits tin may be expected. The consumption of tin was evidently not only not adversely affected by the high prices but an increase in the world's consumption even seems to be taking place. The Dutch production of 1910-11 amounted to 270,508 piculs, against 261,146 and 207,090 piculs in the preceding two years. The actual Billiton production of 1910-11 amounted to 73,537.71 piculs, as compared with 70,178.90 piculs in the preceding year.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 21st of Nov., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st of Nov., at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 23rd of Nov., 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

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## Public Auction

The Undersigned has received instructions from J. H. SETH Esq., the liquidator, to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 3rd December, 1912, commencing at 11 a.m. and continuing at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales room.

The remainder of the Stock in Trade of the SUN SHING & Co. comprising:

GOLD Brooches, scarfs, bangles, chains, ornaments, studs, etc., etc. SILVER Cups, photo frames, vases, bolts, books, candlesticks, umbrellas, handles, finger bowls, crooks, cigarette cases, brush backs, mirrors, spoons, etc., etc.

IVORY Carvings, fans, ornaments, etc. SANDALWOOD Boxes, picture frames, etc.

MOTHER OF PEARL and LACQUERWARE. SILK Blouses, kerchiefs, and silk in rolls, etc., etc.

GRASSCLOTH Peking cloisonne, some Blackwood. On View from Monday, the 2nd December.

Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, November 27, 1912.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## DAIRY FED PORK

Charles Lamb in his dissertation on the PIG, was the first to tell us how the Chinese love their pig—dead and roasted; but it is not for us! We know that pig, and SOME of the things he is fed on—but not all!

Ah; but this is DAIRY FARM PIG, a dainty little fellow, fed on the fat of the land, DAIRY FARM MILK and all the good things in pigdom.

Is there any difference in Pork? Well, for goodness sake, where do you live? Buy it, try it, eat it, then you will KNOW. Cooked to a turn—the Chinese know how—and the "crackling"—UM.

Don't wait for Christmas, you may be dead before that—and so may the pig!

October 18, 1912.

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TO

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and ask for

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GARNER, QUELCH & CO.

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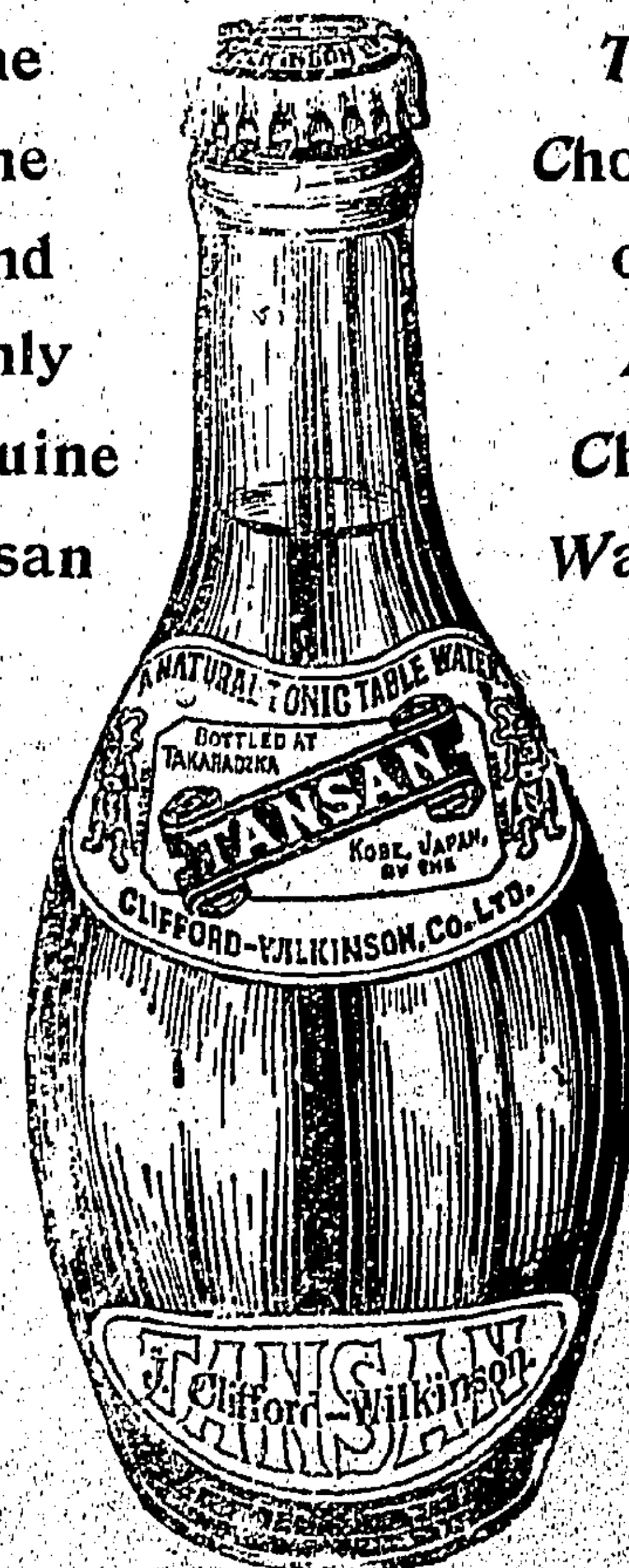
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The One and Only Genuine Tansan

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HONGKONG.

Hongkong 15th November 1912











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HONGKONG HOTEL	
Alabaster, E.	Lampman, H. A.
Alexander, Jr., D. Lebas, Mr. and	Mrs. B. and 3
Barletti, A. T.	children
Baring, M.	Lehmann, R.
Bate, E. R.	Lehner, G. F.
Basanmont, G. A.	Lewinsohn, J.
Beckwith, Miss F.	Lloyd, G. T.
A.	Louise, S.
Bel, C. D. J.	Lyall, Dr. & Mrs.
Bellicio, Mrs. E. R.	MacGregor, N. C.
Benz, G. A.	Mackall, Mr. and
Brayon, C. R.	Mrs. H.
Brunard, J.	Mackall, Miss
Best, H. C.	Mackenzie, A. D.
Beynon, Capt. C. R.	MacLennan, D.
Bishop, S.	G.
Blanch, Mr. and	Madon, J.
Mrs. N. F.	Machlyre, Mr. &
Brewer, Mrs. J. H.	Mrs. Phil
Brewer, Miss A. W.	Macrae, Mrs.
Brewer, Miss T. C.	Macriotti, D. O.
Broadfoot, Miss J.	Matheson, Mrs. R.
Brown, T. V.	T. & child
Bushner, O.	Maxon, Mrs. C.
Butler, H.	C.
Christie, R. N.	Maxon, Miss W.
Claxton, A. A.	Mehta, K. B.
Cokely, T. J.	McClintock, P. W.
Cohn, Mr. & Mrs.	McKenny Dr. C.
E. T.	W. & Mrs.
Collins, Mrs. B. V.	Morocki, J.
Collins, Miss B.	Mitchellmore, Mr.
Cooper, W. A. J.	Mrs. E. V.
Cowan, Mrs. W. F.	and child
Crocker, Miss	Mulder, Mr. and
Crozier, Mrs. L. H.	Mrs. J. D. F.
Cutler, Miss A. L.	Nasim, Mr. and
Cypriani, A. M.	Mrs.
Dietrich, Mr. and	Neubart, Dr.
Mrs. T.	Norden, J.
Dodgson, R. H.	Nothmbo, Capt.
Drury, G. F.	and Mrs. F. D.
Davis, C. H.	Raukin, D. D.
Deane, A. F.	Roe, E. H.
D'Ottavio, T.	Row, Miss F.
Douglas, Mrs. R. H.	Lei, H. Chas.
Frew, W. C.	Ringer, Mrs.
Ehrhardt, Mr. and	Russell-King, J.
Mrs. H. C.	Ryan, Jack
Finlayson, Mrs. O.	Schorer, Dr.
Fisher, J. O.	Schmidt, E.
Fowler, E. A. S.	Schmoke, W.
Fox, Mr. & Mrs.	Stott, Miss
French, Mrs. A. Child	Sibley, J. C.
Fuller, Dorman	Solomon, H. H.
Gabidon, J.	Somerville, Mr. &
Ganthier, Madam	Soper, Mrs. J. F.
George, Mr. & Mrs.	Square, Miss
F. J.	Stott, Mr. & Mrs.
George, Miss	T.
Gordon, A. G.	Sutherland, P. D.
Gould, Mr. & Mrs. J.	Taylor, Mrs. E.
Gourley, I.	Terfman, R.
Gratama, D. M. G.	Vermeij, G.
Grimshaw, R. F.	Williams, Master
Hall, Capt. T. J.	Vollbrecht, E.
Hannibal, Mr. and	W. Alrop, J. N.
Mrs. W. A.	Warren, Miss M.
Harbord, W. T.	Water, Capt. C.
Harrison, A.	E.
Herdman, A. E.	Watkins, H.
Hesse, A.	Webb, Mr. & Mrs.
Hick, Miss M.	R.
Holladay, H.	Wells, Mrs. W. T.
Holland, James	Welch, T. C.
Holmes, H.	Welsh, H. E.
Hope, E.	Whymond, D. M.
Hough, Dr. S.	White, Mr. & M.
Jane, Capt. R.	H. T. H.
Joseph, S. L.	Williams, Mr. &
Judah, Mrs. A. N.	Mrs. H. S.
E.	Winkler, Mr. and
Judah, Miss	Mrs. F.
Kelley, H. W.	Withington, Mr.
Komer, S.	and Mrs. J. W.
Kopp, A.	Wood, G. G.
Kuhn, Capt. C. G.	Wright, Mr. and
Kulka, F.	Mrs. J. F.
Law, Mr. & Mrs. Young	J. A.
H. D.	

## THEATRE ROYAL

## "AN IDEAL HUSBAND"

A PLAY IN 4 ACTS

OSCAR WILDE,

to be produced by

Local Amateurs

on December 17th, 19th and 21st,  
at 9.00 p.m.

Under the distinguished

Patronage of

His Excellency the Governor

in aid of the following Charities:—

The Diocesan Girls' School

The Eyre Refuge

The Blind Home (Blindenheim)

The St. Lewis Orphanage

Booking opens at Messrs. Moutrie &amp;

Co. from December 4th to holders

of advance tickets, obtainable from

ladies and members of the com-

mittees of the various Charities

and Messrs. Moutrie &amp; Co., and

to the public from December 7th.

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Under the Distinguished Patronage

of His Excellency Sir Henry May,

K.C.M.G. and C.M.O. in the Theatre

C.M.G.

THE BOATSWAIN'S MATE

A Comedy in One Act

by

W. W. JACOBS

To be preceded by

A Grand Variety Entertainment.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

the 13th and 14th Dec.

Commenting at 9.15 p.m.

Prices \$3, 2, and \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform

half price to Gallery.

Proceeds to be devoted to Local

Charities.

Booking at MOUTRIE &amp; CO.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

RAYMOND TEALE

COMEDY CO.

10-NIGHT

BATTLE OF VANILA and O

YOU KID.

FRIDAY &amp; SATURDAY

Nov. 29th &amp; 30th

THE TRIFLERS.

SUNDAY &amp; MONDAY

Dec. 1st &amp; 2nd

TOM and JERRY and COLLEGE

DAYS.

TUESDAY

Dec. 3rd

THE MAN FROM MEXICO and

THE GIRL AND THE JOCKEY

WEDNESDAY &amp; THURSDAY

Dec. 4th &amp; 5th

MY FRIEND FROM AUSTRALIA

FRIDAY

Dec. 6th

BROWN'S IN TOWN and

ROOMS FOR RENT

SATURDAY &amp; SUNDAY

Dec. 7th &amp; 8th

Booking at Messrs. Moutrie.

Prices \$2 and \$1.

Matinees: SATURDAYS, 7 o'

30 and Dec. 7, at 4 p.m. Admission

\$1 and 60 cents

Children: Half Price.

Hongkong, 28th Nov., 1912. 1662

Consignees

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG

and SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"THONGWA"

having arrived from the above ports,

consignees of cargo are hereby informed

that their goods will be delivered from

alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be

landed at once, at consignee's risk and

expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 1 p.m.

of the 29th instant, will be landed at

consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON &amp; CO., LD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 27th Nov., 1912. 1710

## Consignees

FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE

AND MOJI.

THE Company's Steamship

"JELUNGA"

having arrived from the above Ports

Consignees of cargo are hereby

informed that their goods will be de-

livered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will

be landed at consignee's risk and ex-

pense into the hazardous and/or extra

hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON &amp; Co., Ltd.

Agents.

Hongkong, 28th Nov., 1912.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP

COMPANY.

S.S. "CHINA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN

PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

The above mentioned vessel

having arrived Consignees of

cargo are hereby notified to send

in their Bills of Lading for

counter-signature and take immediate

delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge will be land-

ed immediately at consignee's risk

and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after

MONDAY Dec. 2nd, 1912 at noon

will be landed at consignee's risk

and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered

FRIDAY Dec. 6th, 1912 at noon

will be subject to landing and storage

charges.

No claims will be entertained for

outage or damage unless packages have

been examined prior to delivery and

list of exceptions furnished consignee.

No fire insurance whatever will be

effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged

cargo will be examined at the abov-

Company's godown WEDNESDAY

Dec. 4th, 1912 at 10 a.m.

All claims must be filed on or before

Dec. 29th, 1912, otherwise they will

not be recognized.

FRED J. HALTON,

Agent.

Hongkong, 26th Nov., 1912. 1838

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLARG"

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO,

LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are here-

by informed that all Goods are

being landed at their risk into the

hazardous and/or extra hazardous

Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where

and/or from the wharves delivery may

be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

2nd Dec will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer

must be presented to the Undersigned

on or before the 10th Dec., or they will

not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godown

where they will be examined on the 2nd

Dec., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th Nov., 1912.

Allocating the Crisp Loan.

The "Official Gazette" stated

that the second instalment of the

Crisp Loan of \$1,000,000 from the

Chartered Bank has been de-

voted to the Luchoenpa for the

following purposes:— October

pay for the Army 1,000,000 dol-

lars, disbandment of Nanking

soldiers 1,500,000 dollars, dis-

bandment of Chefoo soldiers

500,000 dollars, disbandment by

General Hsu and General Pai at

Anhui 1,000,000 dollars. 500,000

dollars is also devoted to the al-

lowance of the Imperial Family

and the balance goes towards De-

partmental expenses, which are

specified.

Politics and Noise.

One who did not understand

the American people might im-

agine, from the incessant din, that

the country was on the verge of

a terrific upheaval in which its

institutions were to be revolu-

tionized and its established order

overturned. But the wise and

experienced are not misled; they

know it is only the unstable folk

(says the "Bellman," Minne-

apolis) letting off steam; that a

safety valve emits a tremendous

roar but, beyond wearying the

ear, does no harm. The balance

of power in America is held by

the steadfast; the people who are

not easily led astray by talk, who

think first and act afterwards.

## A PROFITABLE BUSINESS.

Chicken Farming in British

Columbia.

It is a long jump from holding

a commission in the 4th Hussars

to a Chicken farm on an Island

off British Columbia but Mr. A.

Barrington Foote, who made this

change, and who arrived in the

Colony by a Blue Funnel steamer,

expresses himself as much pleased

with Pacific Coast life.

"I went out to Thetis Island

five years ago," Mr. Foote says,

"and began the study of chicken

raising as a farm hand on wages.

"Mr. Burchell owns the island,

or nearly all of it and he has a

mixed industry of his own there

that is astonishingly successful.

He breeds pigs and cattle besides

owning a huge chicken farm,

and he has a saw mill also that

yields excellent profits.

"I was made manager of the

chicken farm after having been

there a year, and had great luck

with it. The number of birds

that we have regularly on

hand rarely goes below the

2000 mark, and we have

got up to as high as 3100 fowls

"The breed that we have found

to be the most successful under

the climatic conditions, are White



## COMMERCIAL.

## Singapore Exchange.

November, 18.	
Bank 4 m/s ...	4 1/2 13-32
" demand ...	2-4 3-32
Private credits 3 m/s 2-4	0-16
" credits 6 m/s 2-4	20-32
France demand Bank 294	
Germany demand ...	238.1-2
India, T. T. ...	174.1-4
Hongkong demand ...	113.8-p.c.
Yokohama demand ...	113.3-4
Java demand ...	140.1-2
Bangkok demand ...	65.3-4
Sovereigns, Bank Buy-	
ing ...	\$8.54
Discount 3 months bill 4.7-8 p.c.	
Bar Silver London ...	29

## Chinese Finance.

The Six Powers have protested against the action of the Chinese Government in marking the revenue of the Tientsin salt gabelle for the service of the Crip loan. The "Times" Peking correspondent states that the Brussels principals of the Belgian railway loan have refused to ratify the agreement in that it stipulates for the immediate payment to China of \$2,000,000, and this being regarded by the French Government as tantamount to an unconditional loan, a quotation on the Paris Bourse was refused. The statement is denied in Brussels. The agreement, it is added, has been ratified, and the bank is at present engaged in making the first payments, two of which have already been effected, while instructions have been sent to the bank's agents in China to continue the payments. The agreement mentioned relates to a loan of \$10,000,000 by the Sino-Belgian Bank, acting on behalf of a syndicate, for the construction of a railway from Honanfu to Sianfu with extensions. Rumour states that Chou Chiao-chi, the Minister of Finance, will retire, and that Chong Ching-ling will succeed him. Chong has made the following proposals to the President regarding the salt monopoly:

A quick and rational organization of the monopoly, with the assistance of foreign advisers; The creation of a Court of Accounts, of which the president Cheng Kin-tao, now in London, has been already nominated. The Government thinks these two measures should reassure foreign opinion as the financial administration of the Republic and consolidate its credit.

Trade in Mongolia. The "Commercial and Industrial Gazette" of St. Petersburg states that a report has been issued on the expedition to Mongolia sent out in 1910 by the industrial community of Moscow, with the object of investigating the prospects of Russian trade with that country. It is stated that the information collected by the members of the expedition will be invaluable, not only for particular branches of industry but also for Russian trade generally. It is pointed out that as regards Northern Mongolia, the influx during the last few years of large numbers of Chinese traders has given them considerable control over the Mongolian markets, with the result that Russian trade in manufactured goods such as worked leather, machinery, &c., has declined and gradually given way to Chinese, American, German, and British imports. It is stated that the two main factors to be observed in the development of the Mongolian markets are credits and prices. Failure to build up trade is attributed in large measure to the dissipation or inability on the part of merchants to extend small "personal credits," although here again there is always an inherent difficulty in getting Mongolian tradesmen to dispose of their wares at fair prices, even when they have secured them on credit and at standard rates. It is shown, too, that Russian merchants have been in the habit of charging exorbitant prices for their goods, a custom which is detrimental to trade expansion. A suggestion is put forward in the report that banks should be established for the purpose of facilitating the extension of small credits. It behoves bankers to proceed with caution, however, in a country like Mongolia. A branch of the Russo-Chinese Bank was opened there for a short time, and proved a failure—a result ascribed to the absence on the management staff of any Russians well acquainted with Mongolian trading methods.

## Public Auction.

## By Order of the Mortgagee.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

Messrs. HUGHES and HOUGH

have received instructions, to

sell by Public Auction

ON

TUESDAY,

the 3rd day of December, 1912, at

8 o'clock in the afternoon,

at their Sales Rooms, in Lee House

Street, the following

VERY VALUABLE LEASE-

HOLD PROPERTIES

in Seven Lots.

The properties consist of—

LOT 1. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria in the

Colony of Hongkong, intended to be

registered in the Land Office as Section

A of Inland Lot No. 655, containing

a frontage on Wanchai Road of 14

feet 7 inches, or thereabout and an

Area of 590 square feet. Apportioned

Annual Crown Rent \$9.34. Party

Wall. The wall on the North-eastern

side of this Lot is a Party Wall. On

this Lot and on an encroachment at the

rear thereof is erected the substantial

House known as No. 79 Wanchai Road.

LOT 2. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section B of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 81 Wanchai Road.

LOT 3. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section C of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 83 Wanchai Road.

LOT 4. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section D of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 85 Wanchai Road.

LOT 5. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section E of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 87 Wanchai Road.

LOT 6. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section F of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 89 Wanchai Road.

LOT 7. All that piece or parcel of

ground situate at Victoria aforesaid

intended to be registered in the Land

Office as Section G of Inland Lot No.

655, containing a frontage on Wanchai

Road of 14 feet 1 inch, or thereabouts,

and an Area of 597 square feet. Ap-

portioned Annual Crown Rent \$9.44.

Party Walls. The Walls on the North-

eastern and South-western sides of this

Lot are Party Walls. On this Lot

and on an encroachment at the rear

thereof is erected the substantial House

known as No. 91 Wanchai Road.

All the above described Lots are held

of the Crown for the unexpired residues

of terms of 999 years from the 26th

day of December, 1880, created by two

Crown Leases of the whole of Inland

Lots Nos. 815 and 886 dated re-

spectively the 16th day of May 1881.

The properties are more particularly

described and described on a Sale

Plan thereof which can be inspected at

the Offices of MESSRS. JOHNSON

STOKES and MASTER, the Ven-

dors solicitors, at any time previous to

the sale.

For Further Particulars and Condi-

tions of the Sale apply to

Messrs. JOHNSON STOKES

and MASTER,

Princes Buildings,

Lee House Street,

Vendors Solicitors,

or to

Messrs. HUGHES &amp; HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th Nov., 1912.

(940)

## Notices

## G. R.

## CITY AND HILL DISTRICT

## WATER WORKS.

As the rainfall during the current

year has been much below the

average and as the dry season has set

in earlier than usual, the City and

Hill District are threatened with a

serious shortage of water. The

co-operation of the public in preventing

the waste or extravagant use of water

and in exercising every possible econom-

y in its use is invited.

(Sd.) W. CHATHAM,

Water Authority.

Public Works Office.

Hongkong, 30th Oct., 1912. [811]

## G. R.

## CITY AND HILL DISTRICT

## WATER WORKS.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that,

in consequence of the threatened

shortage of water during the present

dry season, the services of houses in the

Rider Main Districts will be dis-

connected from the mains as soon as

public fountains, from which a supply

of water can be obtained, have been erec-

ted in the streets. The erection of

public fountains is about to be proceed-

ed with and the services to houses will

be disconnected as the provision of

such fountains proceeds.

(Sd.) W. CHATHAM,

Water Authority.

Public Works Office.

Hongkong, 30th Oct., 1912. [810]

## NOTICE.

The interest and responsibility of Mr.

ARTHUR HENRY OUGH in our

Firm ceased this day.

LEIGH &amp; ORANGE.

Hongkong, 26th Nov., 1912.

## PEAK TRAMWAYS CO.

## LIMITED.

## TIME TABLE.

## WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 min.

8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. " 10 min.

10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 min.

11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " 15 min.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " 10 min.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 10 min.

2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.

## NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to

11.30 p.m. every 15 minutes.

## SUNDAYS.

7.30 a.m.

8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 min.

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 min.

11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min.

12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 min.

1.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 15 min.

6.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 10 min.

6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. " 15 min.

7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.

## SATURDAYS.

Extra Cars at 11.45 p.m.

## SPECIAL CARS.

Arrangement at the Company's

Office, Alexandra Buildings,

Des Voeux Road.

(Sd.) H. D. HUMPHREYS &amp; SON

General Managers,

Hongkong, 2nd Nov., 1911.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

A Valuable Collection of Japanese Curios and  
Works of Art selected by  
Mr. S. NOMURA OF KYOTO  
(just arrived per S.S. "SIBERIA")

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction on  
FRIDAY and SATURDAY  
the 29th and 30th November, 1912,  
commencing each day at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,  
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